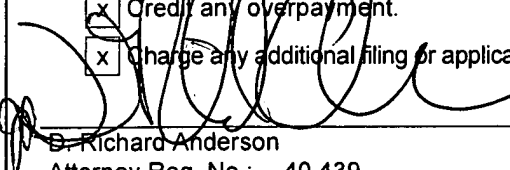


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Applicant(s): Toru SORIMACHI et al.				
Invention: ENCRYPTOR, ENCRYPTING METHOD, DECRYPTOR, DECRYPTING METHOD, AND COMPUTER READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM HAVING PROGRAM STORED THEREIN				
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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 28 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 29 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 35 of this paper.